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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Request For Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. 114(a) is being filed herewith. Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper. In the Advisory Action mailed September 15, 2009, the Examiner explained that the Amendment filed August 24, 2009 had been entered. The listing of claims herein shows changes relative to the listing of claims filed August 24, 2009.

Applicants' Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.